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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

- 1. (currently amended) A cable which has comprising at least two conductor sets provided to run along the same length of said cable, each of said conductor sets including at least two conductors twisted or wound around each other, wherein said at least two conductor sets are kept physically spaced apart as they run along said cable, said cable further including an elongate member which spaces said conductor sets apart by a distance of at least 1mm as they run along the said cable and wherein said elongate member acts as an elongate spacing member comprising a core or wall and said conductor sets are located within said core or wall as integral parts.
- 2. (currently amended) A cable according to claim 1 wherein the cable includes an said elongate member which acts to space the has a cross shaped cross section and each conductor sets set the required distance apart is located at an end of one of the arms of the cross.
- 3. (currently amended) A cable according to claim 1 wherein the said conductor sets are spaced apart by 2mm or greater distance.
- 4. (cancelled)
- 5. (currently amended) A cable according to claim 1 wherein an <u>said</u> elongate member having <u>has</u> a passage is included, said passage housing a first conductor set and a second conductor set is positioned to run along the outside of said member.

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- 6. (cancelled)
- 7. (cancelled)
- 8. (currently amended) A cable according to claim 5 wherein the said passage is provided with location points means to locate the first conductor set therein.
- 9. (original) A cable according to claim 1 wherein the degree of twist or winding of conductors in at least one of the sets of conductors differs from that of the conductors in the other conductor sets in the cable.
- 10. (original) A cable according to claim 9 wherein the variation between the degree of twist or winding of the conductors in each of the conductor sets differs with respect to each of the other conductor sets and the degree of variation is defined with respect to the relative spacing between the adjacent conductor sets.
- 11. (currently amended) A data cable according to claim 1 for the transfer of data between two locations, the cable comprising a series of conductors selectively grouped together into at least two conductors sets, each set having at least two conductors twisted or wound with respect to each other, each set spaced by an elongate member and wherein said conductor sets are positioned to run substantially straight along the cable.
- 12. (currently amended) A cable according to claim 11 wherein the said at least two conductor sets are positioned to run along the cable with no lay with respect to each other.
- 13. (cancelled)

- 14. (currently amended) A cable according to claim 11 wherein the <u>said</u> cable comprises four sets of conductors, each set comprising at least two conductors twisted or wound, and each of the sets spaced apart from each other by at least 1mm.
- 15. (currently amended) A cable according to claim 14 wherein the <u>said</u> cable cross section is substantially circular and the conductor sets are spaced apart substantially 90 degrees between adjacent sets.
- 16. (currently amended) A cable according to any of claims 11-15 claim 1 wherein each of the said conductors is insulated from the others by insulating material and the cable, includes an outer housing of insulating material.

17. (cancelled)

- 18. (currently amended) A cable according to claim 17 claim 1 wherein the said elongate member is in the form of a tube and the conductor-sets lie on any or any combination of the inside or outer surfaces of the tube wall and/or within the wall itself.
- 19. (cancelled)
- 20. (currently amended) A cable according to elaim 17 claim 1 wherein the longitudinal axes of each of the conductor sets run substantially parallel to the longitudinal axis of the elongate member.
- 21. (currently amended) A cable according to elaim 17 claim 1 wherein the degree of twist or winding of the conductors in each conductor set is varied with respect to that of the other sets of conductors.

- 22. (currently amended) A cable according to claim 21 wherein the degree of difference in the twist or winding between sets is increased as the spacing between the respective conductor sets is reduced.
- 23. (cancelled)
- 24. (currently amended) A cable according to elaim 17 claim 1 wherein at least one conductor set passes along a passage in said the elongate member passage and substantially in parallel with the longitudinal axis of the cable.
- 25. (cancelled)
- 26. (cancelled)
- 27. (currently amended) A cable according to claim 17 claim 1 wherein a passage in the said elongate member carries services mains power supply therealong.
- 28. (withdrawn) A plug for use with a cable of the type described in the preceding claims said plug having a body arranged for location within a socket and wherein said plug has reception means for the connection of a plurality of spaced conductor sets, said reception means spaced apart on the plug body.
- 29. (withdrawn) A plug according to claim 28 wherein the spacing between conductor set reception means is at least 1 mm and, if the plug body is circular cross section, by 360° divided by the number of conductor set reception means provided.
- 30. (withdrawn) A plug according to claim 28 wherein the reception means for the conductor sets are connected to metallic contacts to allow connection and transmission of

- a signal from the conductor sets to metallic contacts in the socket into which the plug is inserted.
- 31. (withdrawn) A plug according to claim 28 wherein the plug body is substantially circular in cross section.
- 32. (withdrawn) A plug according to claim 28 wherein the plug body is substantially flat and planar in shape.
- 33. (withdrawn) A socket for use with a cable of the type described in the preceding claims said socket having a port for reception of a plug and wherein said socket has reception means for the connection of a plurality of spaced conductor sets, said reception means spaced apart at the socket port.
- 34. (withdrawn) A socket according to claim 33 wherein the angular spacing between conductor set reception means is 360° divided by the number of conductor set reception means provided.
- 35. (withdrawn) A socket according to claim 33 wherein the reception means for the conductor sets are connected to metallic contacts to allow connection and transmission of a signal form the conductor sets to metallic contacts in the plug inserted in the socket port.
- 36. (withdrawn) A socket according to claim 33 wherein the socket port is substantially circular in cross section.

37. (withdrawn) - A socket according to claim 33 wherein the socket port is a substantially flat slot.

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